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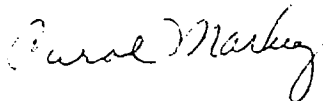
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am very happy about the recent settlement between the DOJ and Microsoft. Though the opponents of Microsoft have made varied efforts to make it appear as though Microsoft has gotten off easy, I completely disagree. In fact, Microsoft has agreed to honor obligations that extend to products and technologies that were not even at issue in the lawsuits. Though these areas were not initially at issue, Microsoft has agreed to comply to these broad terms in order to bring the case to a conclusion and to allow the Company to move forward with the development of new products.

In addition to Microsoft compliance with the broaden terms of the settlement, they have also agreed to document and disclose various interfaces that are internal to Windows' operating system products. If I may add, this is a first in an antitrust settlement. This is just a small indication of the strides that Microsoft has taken to satisfy the requirements of this settlement.

The Tunney Act has provided a very solid avenue to voice my opinion on this issue and I am very pleased to know that my opinion on this issue matters to you. I support the settlement and look forward to the conclusion of this case.

Sincerely,



Carol Markey